

"Senator Daniel Inouye's passing marks the end of an era—for the people of Hawaii, the country, and the United States Senate. He was a public servant from start to finish. He was a war hero—earning a Medal of Honor for his actions on the battlefields of World War II before his state was even admitted to the union. He was Hawaii's first Representative in the House, a source of great pride to all Members, past and present.

"Senator Inouye was a patriarch of Hawaii, and all Hawaiians will long remember his unyielding devotion to the economic vitality, progress, and success of his beloved home state. He was the second-longest serving Senator in American history, and his fellow Americans will long remember his leadership in protecting our men and women in uniform, strengthening our national security, reaching across the aisle, and investing in a future of prosperity for all. By his actions, he stood firm for the independence of the Congress, the strength of our democracy, and the values of the American people.

"Senator Inouye led a life of principle, passion, service, and sacrifice. He was the highest ranking Asian American in our country. His story—as an Asian American who lived the American Dream, a soldier who served with bravery and courage, an elected representative who served with dignity—reflects the best of America. We only hope it is a comfort to his wife Irene, his son Ken, and the entire Inouye family that so many share in their grief at this sad time."

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. CULBERSON (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of personal reasons.

Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of flight cancellation.

Mr. JONES (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of official business.

Mr. TERRY (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of travel delays.

Mr. CLYBURN (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of attending a funeral.

Mr. HOLT (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today.

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of official business in the district.

Ms. MOORE (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of district business.

Mr. REYES (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and for the balance of the week on account of family medical reasons.

#### SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 2045. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to require judges of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims to reside within fifty miles of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S. 3313. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the reproductive as-

sistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to severely wounded, ill, or injured veterans and their spouses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S. 3472. An act to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

S. 3687. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program, to designate certain Federal buildings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. In addition to the Committee on Natural Resources; and to the Committee on the Judiciary for a period to be subsequently determined by a Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2838. An act to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2013 through 2014, and for other purposes.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 1379. An act to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative authorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service.

S. 1998. An act to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security.

S. 3315. An act to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office.

S. 3542. An act to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

#### BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 12, 2012, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 3187. To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

H.R. 6582. To allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals, and to make technical corrections to existing Federal energy efficiency laws to allow American manufacturers to remain competitive.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 13, 2012, she presented to the President of the

United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 4014. To amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

H.R. 3319. To allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to determine the requirements for membership in that tribe.

H.R. 4367. To amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to limit the fee disclosure requirement for an automatic teller machine to the screen of that machine.

H.R. 2467. Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health and Economic Development Act of 2012.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 14, 2012, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.R. 2838. To authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 through 2015, and for other purposes.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 44 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 18, 2012, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

8787. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act in the Department of Veterans Affairs Construction, Minor Projects, Treasury Symbol 36X0111, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

8788. A letter from the Acting Principal Deputy, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Purl K. Keen, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8789. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the System's final rule — Supervisory and Company-Run Stress Test Requirements for Covered Companies [Regulation YY; Docket No.: 1438] (RIN: 7100-AD-86) received December 6, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

8790. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the System's final rule — Annual Company-Run Stress Test Requirements for Banking Organizations with Total Consolidated Assets over \$10 Billion Other than Covered Companies [Regulation YY; Docket No.: 1438] (RIN: 7100-AD-86) received December 6, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

8791. A letter from the Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting the Bureau's Fair Lending Report; to the Committee on Financial Services.

8792. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a